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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2009–10 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1436

Introduced by Assembly Member Portantino
(Coauthor: Senator Romero)

February 27, 2009

An act to add Section 66020.5 to the Education Code, relating to postsecondary educational institutions.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1436, as amended, Portantino. Postsecondary educational institutions: meetings: live audio transmission.

Existing law, intended to strengthen existing accountability requirements, requires the California Postsecondary Education Commission, each November 15, to submit a higher education report to the Legislature and the Governor that provides information to the citizens of the state on the significant indicators of performance of the public colleges and universities.

This bill would require the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges, the Trustees of the California State University, the California Postsecondary Education Commission, and the Student Aid Commission, including any auxiliary organization, to provide for live audio transmission of all meetings ~~that~~, *which* are open to the public *pursuant to specified law*, through a technology that is accessible to as large a segment of the public as possible. This bill would also request

the Regents of the University of California to comply with these provisions.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 66020.5 is added to the Education Code,
2 to read:
3 66020.5. (a) The Board of Governors of the California
4 Community Colleges, the Trustees of the California State
5 University, the California Postsecondary Education Commission,
6 and the Student Aid Commission, including any auxiliary
7 organization established pursuant to Section 69522, shall, and the
8 Regents of the University of California are requested to, provide
9 for live audio transmission of all meetings~~that~~, *which* are open to
10 the public *pursuant to the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act (Article*
11 *9 (commencing with Section 11120) of Chapter 1 of Part 1 of*
12 *Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code)*, through a
13 technology that is accessible to as large a segment of the public
14 as possible, including, but not necessarily limited to, the use of
15 either of the following technologies:
16 (1) Cable, satellite, over-the-air, or any other type of
17 transmission that can be accessed though a television.
18 (2) Web cast, in which case notice of meetings that are open to
19 the public and links to the Web cast shall be easily accessible via
20 each entity's Internet Web site.
21 (b) It is not a violation of this section if technical failures prevent
22 an entity from providing a live audio transmission so long as the
23 entity exercised reasonable diligence in making a live audio
24 transmission available.

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